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Notice of Intent To Amend Bishop Resource Management Plan, Bakersfield District, California; Notice of Exchange Proposal: Manzanar Exchange, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to amend the Bishop Resource Management Plan's list of public land disposal parcels, adding a 275 acre parcel and a Notice of Exchange Proposal for the Manzanar Exchange involving public and private lands in Inyo County, CA.

SUMMARY: On March 3, 1992, the President signed the Manzanar Natural Historic Site Act which authorized the acquisition of 500 acres of land at the historic site only by donation or exchange. The site is owned by the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP). În April 1995 the National Park Service (NPS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the LADWP entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding an exchange of public land for the Manzanar Site. The General Management Plan for Manzanar identified 585 acres for inclusion in the site and an additional 215 acres having historic value is desired to expand the site to a total of 800 acres more or less. As per the MOU, LADWP would select and receive public land identified in the Bishop Resource Management Plan (RMP) for disposal. The Notice of Intent to amend the Bishop RMP resulted from the selection process by LADWP. A portion of the public land selected by LADWP for the Manzanar exchange is 275 acres having a portion of the dry Owens River. This river portion is also part of the Owens River rewatering project, a project agreed to by LADWP and the County of Inyo. Both LADWP and the County have indicated that ownership of this river portion should be by LADWP which would simplify administering the rewatering project. It is in the public interest to amend the Bishop RMP and identify this 275 acres parcel for disposal thereby facilitating the Manzanar exchange. The Notice of Exchange Proposal is for the Manzanar

exchange. In the exchange LADWP would transfer up to 800 acres more or less of the Manzanar site to the NPS and the BLM would exchange public land to the LADWP. LADWP has agreed that the long-term intent is to release the identified exchange land in the Independence area or more suitable land into private ownership for community development. It is in the public interest to proceed with the exchange thereby acquiring the Manzanar Site for the NPS and implementing a portion of the Bishop RMP (Land Disposal). The exchange involves the following lands located in the County of Inyo, California: Offered Non-Federal Lands, to be Conveyed to the United States. These lands are known as the Manzanar Historic Site and are located within the following general description:

Mount Diablo Meridian, California

T. 14 S., R. 35 E.,

Sec. 9, E¹/₂E¹/₂SE¹/₄;

Sec. 10, All;

Sec. 11, $W^{1/2}SW^{1/4}$;

Sec. 14, NW1/4;

Sec. 15, N1/2, N1/2S1/2;

Sec. 16, $E^{1/2}E^{1/2}NE^{1/4}$, $E^{1/2}NE^{1/4}SE^{1/4}$.

Containing 800 acres more or less.

Selected Federal Lands, to be Patented to the City of Los Angeles:

Mount Diablo Meridian, California

T. 11S., R. 35 E.,

Sec. 30, Lots 1 and 2, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

Sec. 31, Lot 8, W¹/₂W¹/₂NE¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄.

Containing 275 acres more or less. Known as the Owens River parcel.

T. 13 S., R. 35 E.,

Sec. 18, $S^{1/2}$ of Lot 2 of $NW^{1/4}$, Lot 1 and 2 of $SW^{1/4}$, $SW^{1/4}NE^{1/4}$, $NW^{1/4}SE^{1/4}$.

Containing 282.81 acres. Known as the Independence parcel.

Additional Federal Lands which could be selected for equal value adjustment. These lands are identified in the Bishop RMP for disposal and are located in:

Mount Diablo Meridian, California

T. 7 S., R. 33 E.,

Sec. 30,

Sec. 31.

T. 13 S., R. 35 E.,

Sec. 29.

T. 14 S., R. 36 E., Sec. 31.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Final determination on the exchange and the RMP amendment will made using public comments and an environmental assessment. Public land within any Wilderness Study Area will not be involved in this exchange. The value of the lands to be exchanged will be

approximately equal. The conveyance document (patent) for the Federal public lands will include the following reservations to the United States:

- 1. "A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States. Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945)."
- 2. "Authorized rights-of-way and other valid third party rights will be recognized. The Proponent will negotiate new easement/permit agreements with third party rights. Patents to selected public lands will be issued subject to any third party rights not successfully negotiated and replaced by a Proponent easement or permit."

Upon publication of this Notice in the Federal Register, the public lands described above are segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mineral laws for a period of five years from the date of publication. The segregative effect shall terminate as provided by 43 CFR 2201.1(c).

Detailed information concerning the RMP amendment or the Manzanar exchange is available at the Bishop Resource Area Office, 785 N. Main St. Suite E, Bishop, Ca 93514 or by contacting Larry Primosch at (619) 872–4881.

COMMENTS: On or before March 13, 1996, interested parties may submit valid comments on the Bishop RMP amendment or the Manzanar Exchange to the Bishop Resource Area Manager, 785 N. Main St. Suite E, Bishop, CA 93514.

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Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Klamath Falls Resource Area, Interior. ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision, Resource Management Plan, for the Upper Klamath Basin and Wood River Wetland on the Klamath Falls Resource Area of the Lakeview District, Oregon.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (40 CFR 150.2), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of